THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) Samples of "Amul Gold" Brand Milk marketed by M/s Mehsana Distt. Cooperative Milk Producers Ltd., Mehsana and Madhusudan Brand Milk marketed by M/s Creamy Foods Ltd., 80 Km. Stone, GT Karnal Road, Village Bartoli Khurja, Distt-Bulandshar U.P. have recently been found to be non conforming to food standards. Action has been taken initiated by Government of NCT of Delhi as per rules.

Liver transplantation in the country

†3761. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is far behind to other developed countries in case of liver transplantation, despite remarkable progress made in different fields of medicine;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering any special action plan for facilitating liver transplantation; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes, Sir. As reported by ICMR, well-developed facilities for liver transplantation are inadequate in India where at least two lakh people die annually from liver failure.

(b) and (c) The Government is in the process of consulting all stake holders before arriving at a plan for encouraging cadaver organ retrieval (that would include liver retrieval also).

Ensuring the quality of medicines

†3762. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government for the provision of regulation of quality of medicines manufactured in the country;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.